

is kept under a constant fire by well-concealed snipers from both the north and the south.

The soldiers reply whenever they see the flash of a rifle, but the locations of the snipers had not been discovered up to noon.

All the houses around Northwell were cleared of men last night by troops, who rounded them up and kept them in custody until daylight. Firing went on, however, as briskly as ever. The authorities believe that either the ammunition supply of the rebels is running low or that it is being conserved for a last desperate effort.

DAWN OF MAY DAY FINDS MANY THOUSANDS IDLE

Other Thousands Likely to Be Added to Their Ranks Before Sun Sets.

PERIOD OF INDUSTRIAL UNREST

Increased Prosperity Resulting From War and Higher Cost of Living Declared to Form Foundation of Demands Made in Labor's Behalf.

NEW YORK, April 30.—An analysis of labor conditions in this city and the metropolitan district shows that May 1 will dawn with between 50,000 and 60,000 workmen and women on strike or locked out, with other industrial disturbances threatening which may throw thousands more out of employment.

Strikes involving scores of thousands are in effect or threatened in other parts of the East, notably in Pittsburgh, where 14,000 Westinghouse employees are on strike. Settlement also is pending of the country-wide demands of 400,000 railroad employees.

No May Day in recent years will have witnessed so many concrete evidences of industrial unrest, in spite of the fact that many thousands of workers have been granted higher wages and shorter hours.

PROSPERITY IS GENERAL AND LIVING COSTS HIGHER

The right of labor to an increased share in the country's prosperity, resulting from the war, joined with the higher cost of living, is declared by labor leaders generally to form the foundation of labor demands.

An encouraging development almost on the eve of May Day was the announcement that a tentative agreement had been reached by the representatives of the operators and anthracite miners, which probably would avert a strike of 175,000 men.

Announcement was made to-night, also, that because of concessions granted by steamship companies and master stevedores, a general strike of workmen on the water front in this city was not probable.

Industrial disturbances here include one of the most serious in the city's history. The Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers' Association, members of which do an aggregate annual business estimated at \$25,000,000, are contemplating a possible strike during the height of the summer's activities in garment-making, forestalling such action last week by declaring a lockout, affecting between 50,000 and 55,000 employees. Union leaders believe the trouble will last until September 10.

Some 20,000 employees in independent shops have threatened to walk out tomorrow or Tuesday unless granted a continuance of the provision in the 1915 protocol favoring organized workers over those unorganized.

Large strikes in this city involve about 10,000 painters and decorators, who demand increased pay, 2,500 jewelry workers and 1,500 custom tailors. Scores of other strikers in the metropolitan district and in New Jersey involve smaller numbers, but aggregate thousands of employees. The demands are for higher wages and shorter hours.

ENJOY HIGHER WAGES AND SHORTER HOURS

Hugh Frayne, general organizer here for the American Federation of Labor, said to-day that all told, more men and women were enjoying higher pay and shorter hours than ever before in this city.

"Talk of reaction setting in," Mr. Frayne added, "does not alarm me. Labor is not getting too much. It is adjusting itself to conditions as they exist."

Colonel M. J. Reggan, of the State Board of Mediation of the Department of Labor, said that aside from railroad employees, there has been a general advance throughout New York State that will average from 10 to 14 per cent. Many railroad workers in unclassified departments of certain roads also have been benefited.

MIDDLE WEST SITUATION TRANQUIL AND PROMISING

CHICAGO, April 30.—May Day in the Middle West will dawn to-morrow on a labor situation which, according to advice from the leading industrial centers, is the most tranquil and promising in years.

Generally speaking, this condition is due largely to the prosperity of the country, the demand for labor and concessions and advances conceded in the course of the last year by employers.

Nowhere in Kansas, Kentucky, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, Oklahoma, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio or Michigan are there strikes of national importance.

THOUSANDS ARE EXPECTED TO STRIKE IN PITTSBURGH

PITTSBURGH, April 30.—Twenty-five thousand machinists, blacksmiths, boiler-makers and others employed in the metal-working trades in the Pittsburgh district are expected to strike to-morrow in support of their demand for the eight-hour day. Molders have been out since December 13 last, and 36,000 or more electrical workers and war munition makers in the various Westinghouse plants have been idle more than a week. Fifteen hundred car repairmen of the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad struck on Friday for shorter hours and 25 per cent increase. The demands of barbers, waiters and others still are under consideration.

Announcement that the eight-hour day was to be made an issue on May 1 was followed by the organization of the Employers' Association of Pittsburgh, which declared in a newspaper advertisement that it would not shorten working hours or take any other action that would lead to a curtailment of production in its plants.

EARL ST. ALDWIN DEAD

Was Veteran English Statesman, Twice Chancellor of Exchequer and Twice Chief Secretary of Ireland.

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MUCH CANDOR

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Letter of Thanks From Fighting Zone

Norman Derr Grateful to Surgical Dressings Branch of War Relief Association.

Mrs. E. B. L. Taylor, secretary of the Surgical Dressings Branch of the War Relief Association of Virginia, has received a very gracious letter of thanks from Norman Derr, who is connected with ambulance 1-2, secteur 63, near the firing line in France. This committee has done wonderful things for the organization of the relief association, each week having sent boxes of surgical and hospital supplies to various hospitals in the war zone.

"I don't know to whose inspired instrumentality I owe the letter which I have received from you telling of the wonderful thought and provision you have made for my people. Both the gift and the note of personal sympathy make my heart throb with thankfulness that you could be so kind as to insinuate value of your effort on this side, you would be encouraged and amply rewarded. As time goes on and comfort of the wounded is going to become scarcer and scarcer, and it is often too terrifying to think that what one considered as a great need was really a relative plenty. You have put forward an hour all the clocks in France in order to economize the coal, and the replacing of men by women in all the conserving and depositing work already taking place. Innumerable signs like these prove that conditions are to become more and more strained, and nowherewill the pinch be felt more than in the hospital aux de l'avant, which at best have never had all the necessities. You can see then how precious your interest and aid are. I have also received from a Miss Postlefield of Richmond a package containing syringes and thermometers. If she be a friend of yours, will you please express to her my appreciation? I am writing to her also.

When your wonderful box arrives, I will immediately let you know. It is an infinite comfort to know that I may appeal to you in a special need, especially as later I may be just behind the firing line, and consequently in surgical difficulties."

WASHINGTON ALUMNI WILL ENTERTAIN FACULTY

Headed by President Wilson, Virginia's Sons in Official Life Will Be Hosts at Banquet.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., April 30.—The Sons of the President, Wilson, and counting among its members thirty men in official life, the Washington, D. C. alumni of the University of Virginia will give a banquet to the faculty on May 13, following the closing of the official life.

Woodrow Wilson, '81, twenty-eighth President of the United States, Thomas Watt Gregory, '84, Attorney-General of the United States, James Clark McReynolds, '84, Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court.

Senate.

Oscar W. Underwood, '81, Democrat, Alabama, James P. Clarke, B. L., '79, Democrat, Arkansas, Joe T. Robinson, '95, Democrat, Arkansas, Willard Saulsbury, '79, Democrat, Delaware, James Hamilton Lewis, '82, Democrat, Illinois, John Sharp Williams, '72, Democrat, Mississippi, Charles A. Culberson, '77, Democrat, Texas, Claude A. Swanson, B. L., '86, Democrat, Virginia, Thomas Staples Martin, '67, Democrat, Virginia.

House of Representatives.

S. Hubert Dent, Jr., B. L., Democrat, Alabama, William Bacon Oliver, '88, Democrat, Alabama, Martin A. Morrison, B. L., '86, Democrat, Indiana, Allen W. Barkley, '98, Democrat, Kentucky, Seward Sherley, B. L., '91, Democrat, Kentucky, Whitwell Pugh Martin, '92, Progressive-Protectionist, Louisiana, Walter M. Chandler, '95, Republican, New York, Edwin Yates Webb, '94, Democrat, North Carolina, Robert Mauck Switzer, '92, Republican, South Carolina, Richard S. Whaley, B. L., '97, Democrat, South Carolina, Alexander White Gregg, '97, Democrat, Texas, Campbell Bascom Slemmons, '92, Republican, Virginia, Edward W. Saunders, B. L., '82, Democrat, Virginia, Henry Delaware Flood, B. L., '88, Democrat, Virginia, William A. Jones, B. L., '70, Democrat, Virginia, Walter A. Watson, '86, Democrat, Virginia, Edward Everett Holland, '80, Democrat, Virginia, Andrew J. Motzigue, B. L., '85, Democrat, Virginia.

All of the above twenty-seven alumni in Congress were students of law at the University, in addition to taking a degree work in some cases, the majority taking the regular winter session, and most of the others studying under the late John P. Minor in the summer session of the law school.

Comparisons with the alumni representations of sister institutions show that the University of Virginia, with nine alumni in the Senate and eighteen in the House, Virginia leads Harvard, which has three alumni in the Senate and eighteen in the House, and also leads Yale, which has five in the Senate and eleven in the House.

The University of Virginia's strength in Congress is even more remarkable when it is remembered that in round numbers Michigan has 16,000 living alumni and 7,000 students; Harvard, 25,000 alumni and 6,000 students; Yale, 25,000 alumni and 5,000 students; while Virginia has only 9,000 alumni and slightly over 1,000 students.

SEEKS SEAT IN CONGRESS

Retired Rear-Admiral Asks Permission to Become Candidate in Second Virginia District.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Rear-Admiral A. C. Dillingham, United States Navy, retired, who is a resident of Norfolk, has applied to the Navy Department for permission to become a candidate for election to Congress from the Norfolk district of Virginia, without prejudice to his naval status. He explains that his main object in entering the campaign is to endeavor to promote the development of the naval station at Norfolk and make that city one of the greatest ports in the United States.

His application has been referred to Captain McLean, Judge-advocate-general of the navy, for an opinion as to the law in the case. It is recalled that a similar question was raised in the case of Major-General Daniel E. Sickles, who drew pay as a member of Congress and also at the same time as an officer on the retired list of the army. It was held at the time that the law did not prevent the retired officer from holding the civil office to which he had been duly elected.

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MUST HAVE FUND BY MAY 8

Negro Fugitive From Justice Is Arrested by Richmond Police and Turned Over to Cockade City Authorities for Trial.

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PETERSBURG, Va., April 30.—The adjourned meeting of Petersburg business men interested in the building of the proposed concrete highway from Petersburg to City Point will be held in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce to-morrow night, to hear reports from the several committees appointed to canvass for the additional fund needed to complete the road, via the "Southern route," as selected by the Board of Supervisors of Prince George, and required to be in hand by May 8. Four committees were appointed by the business men's meeting, and assigned to different phases of work. These committees will report the result of their work to-morrow night.

Arrested for Old Offenses.

George Miller, a negro, for whom the police have been in search for the past eighteen months, has been arrested in Richmond and turned over to the Petersburg authorities. Miller is charged with burglary and resistance to arrest. It is alleged that he broke into the dwelling of Cornelius Graves, a colored mail carrier, and that he shot at Sergeant Titmus and Detective Airidge while they were attempting to arrest him. Miller is an old offender, and has served time in the penitentiary.

Engagement Announced.

At a delightful luncheon given yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. P. B. Birchett, in North Union Street, announcement was made of the engagement of Miss Mary Armstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Armstrong, to William B. Jefferson, of this city. The marriage will take place on May 23. Covers were laid for fifteen, and the announcement was made by dainty hand-painted bluebirds. The home was beautifully decorated in the color scheme of pink and white. Those present, in addition to the guests of honor, were Mrs. W. E. Armstrong, Mrs. R. B. Powell, Mrs. Philip Roper, Misses Louise Steere, Lucille Cousins, Mary Kavan, Helen Wilson, Spooner Dunn, Frances Hartgrave, Mary Bryant, Mattie Pritchard and Little Miss Mary Anna Wadleigh, who received the guests at the door. An interesting feature of the occasion was a "show" of the guest of honor being presented by each individual guest with a piece of handsome needlework.

This morning about 2 o'clock fire was discovered in one of the front rooms on the third floor of the Young Men's Christian Association building. The fire was caused by a cigarette placed in the street, which promptly ignited. Night Clerk Britt, the department was called out, but not needed. Mr. Britt extinguished the blaze, which was caused by the burning mattress and bed clothing, and had probably been kindled by a lighted cigarette used by the occupant.

A negro, evidently intent on robbery, was routed from his hiding place last night in one of the sleeping-rooms of the New York Cafe. He made his escape.

Two white convicts escaped from the road force in Brunswick County on Thursday, and it is believed have made a successful runaway. They were traced to Stony Creek by bloodhounds and their trail was lost.

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REIMER NOMINATED

Hoston Man Named for President at National Convention of Socialist Labor Party.

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Northbound trains scheduled to arrive in Richmond daily: 4:30 A. M., 8:30 A. M., local, 9:30 A. M., 5:37 P. M.

Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac R. R.

To and from Washington and Annapolis.

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Richmond to Petersburg, daily, 7:00 A. M., 11:00 A. M., 1:00 P. M., 5:00 P. M., 7:00 P. M., 11:00 P. M. Petersburg to Richmond, daily, 7:00 A. M., 11:00 A. M., 1:00 P. M., 5:00 P. M., 7:00 P. M., 11:00 P. M.

Richmond to Lynchburg, daily, 7:00 A. M., 11:00 A. M., 1:00 P. M., 5:00 P. M., 7:00 P. M., 11:00 P. M. Lynchburg to Richmond, daily, 7:00 A. M., 11:00 A. M., 1:00 P. M., 5:00 P. M., 7:00 P. M., 11:00 P. M.

Richmond to Charlottesville, daily, 7:00 A. M., 11:00 A. M., 1:00 P. M., 5:00 P. M., 7:00 P. M., 11:00 P. M. Charlottesville to Richmond, daily, 7:00 A. M., 11:00 A.